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In re Patent Application of:  
Partridge et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
IDENTIFYING A PACKET

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### AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-10, 13-20, 23, and 24, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. The time period for response has been extended to March 30, 2007, by the accompanying petition for a one-month extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.